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1. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application No. 7-311772, published November 28, 1995 with English Abstract.
2. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application No. 11-508078, published July 13, 1999 (corresponds to World Patent No. 98/33297, published July 30, 1998 with English Abstract).

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

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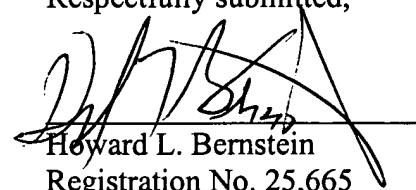
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